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House Bill No. 5189

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The Committee on Planning and Development reported through REP. WALLACE of the 109th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ELIGIBILITY OF PERSONS TO RESIDE IN ELDERLY HOUSING PROJECTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
- 2 to study the eligibility of persons to reside in elderly housing projects.
- 3 Said study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of: (1)
- 4 Existing federal and Connecticut laws, regulations and policies
- 5 concerning eligibility requirements for elderly housing, including
- 6 requirements for elderly and nonelderly persons and the types of
- 7 disabilities required for nonelderly persons to be eligible for such
- 8 housing; (2) the application of such legal requirements to different
- 9 classes of elderly housing, including federally-funded housing, state-
- 10 funded housing, and privately-funded housing; (3) laws, regulations
- 11 and policies in other states concerning eligibility requirements for
- 12 elderly housing; and (4) the percentage of nonelderly persons residing
- 13 in elderly housing projects in Connecticut and the percentage of such
- 14 persons who are also nondisabled.

15 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

16 (1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
17 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
18 relating to housing, economic development and the elderly, or their
19 designees, who may be members of the General Assembly;

20 (2) Two members appointed by the speaker of the House of
21 Representatives, one of whom shall represent senior citizen residents
22 of elderly housing and one of whom shall represent disabled residents
23 of elderly housing;

24 (3) Two members appointed by the president pro tempore of the
25 Senate, one of whom shall represent elderly housing advocates and
26 one of whom shall represent advocates for housing for the disabled;

27 (4) One member appointed by the minority leader of the House of
28 Representatives who shall represent elderly housing developers and
29 administrators; and

30 (5) One member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who
31 shall be a member of the public.

32 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made no later than
33 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
34 filled by the appointing authority.

35 (d) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General
36 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing shall serve
37 as chairpersons of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the
38 first meeting of the task force, which shall be held no later than sixty
39 days after the effective date of this section.

40 (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
41 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing
42 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

43 (f) Not later than September 30, 2004, the task force shall submit a

44 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
45 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
46 relating to housing, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a
47 of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
48 submits such report.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Legislative Mgmt.	GF - Cost	Minimal	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes a task force to study the eligibility of persons in elderly housing projects. The bill appoints the chairpersons and ranking members, or their designees, of the committees with cognizance over housing, economic development, and the elderly. Legislative Management will incur minimal costs for legislator mileage reimbursement. The staff of the Select Committee on Housing shall serve as administrative staff for the task force, which can be handled within the normal budgetary resources of Legislative Management.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Select Committee on Housing

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 12 Nay 1

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 16 Nay 0